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SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP- NOMINATION AND PART I BIODATA FOR MR.  
DENIS BRUNEL - PRINCIPAL CANDIDATE FOR INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM.

REF:

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ECA-OFFICE: E/VGE

PROG-AGENCY-NAME:

POST-PROJ-ID: 288

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PROJ-NAME: FY 2006 - INDIVIDUAL Program - Denis Brunel  
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FY: 2006  
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SUBJ-DISC: Energy  
START BIO:  
PREFIX: Mr.  
F-NAME: Denis  
M-NAME:  
L-NAME: Brunel  
SUFFIX:  
POSITION-CODE: 0  
PRINCIPAL?: Yes  
M-ADDR1: Commission Superieure Nationale du  
M-ADDR2: personnel des Industries Electriques et  
M-ADDR3: Gazieres - 53, rue de la Boetie  
M-CITY: Paris  
M-STATE:  
M-CNTRY: France  
M-ZONE: 75008  
M-ZIP:  
M-PHONE: + (33) 1.42.25.53.45  
M-FAX: + (33) 1.42.25.12.70  
M-EMAIL: denis.brunel@sgeieg.asso.fr  
M-CNTRY-ID: FR  
M-ADDRTYPE: B  
GENDER: M  
DOB: 01/25/1963  
MAR-STAT: M  
BIRTH-CITY: Tournon  
BIRTH-CNTRY: France  
CITIZ-CNTRY: France  
RES-CNTRY: France  
START MEMO POSITION:  
Secretary General of the Human Resources Committee, French

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Association of Electricity and Gas Producers, since 2002

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

General Delegate of the French Center for Electricity  
(lobbying association of electric companies), since 2002

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
- 2000-2002 - In charge of socio-professional relations in the Public Affairs Department of "Electricite de France" (EDF - the main producer of electricity in France)  
- 1997-1999 - Electric and gas trade section manager, EDF-GDF Bourgogne  
- 1995-1997 - Real estate and legal issues section manager, EDF-GDF Bourgogne  
- 1991-1995 - Personnel Officer, EDF-GDF Bourgogne  
- 1980-1984 - Non-commissioned officer in the French Air Force  
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
New York, and Philadelphia - 2 weeks in 1999 for tourism  
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
Argentina and several European countries  
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
1999 - Management and Business School of Lyon, sales force management section  
1991 - Institute of Political Studies of Grenoble (economics and finance section)  
END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
Member of PanEurope France Executive Committee  
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
  
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Denis Brunel's participation in the IV program would help him better understand U.S. policies on electricity and gas as well as stress to him the importance of Europe's cooperating with America on such issues for their mutual advancement. The project will sharpen Mr. Brunel's knowledge of American perspectives on current and future energy issues, develop a range of contacts, and help ensure a balanced view of the U.S. in someone of future influence on the politics of energy in France and Europe.  
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NOMINATING-OFFICER: Sylvie Vacheret  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Two factors make Denis Brunel, a hardworking and driven professional, an indispensable candidate for an IV program: his professional focus on energy issues and his involvement in politics. These factors have been part of his life since his time as a university student. After completing his university studies in Management and in Politics, where he specialized in Human Resources Management while at the same time holding down a job, he became an expert in professional relations at Electricite de France. This adeptness later led him to a position at the French Association of Electricity and Gas Producers where he now holds the title of Secretary General of the Human Resources Committee. On top of this, Mr. Brunel is also a General Delegate of the French Center for Electricity, a lobbying association made up of various electric companies. Throughout his life, Denis Brunel has been deeply involved in politics. At a young age he joined Chirac's party, the Rassemblement pour la Republique (RPR), and eventually worked his way up to vice-president of the RPR's youth movement; a position he held from 1985 till 1993. He later translated this experience into a successful run for the city Counselor of Valence. Always looking to the future, he next invested his energies in the Association PanEurope France, which is the French branch of the Union Pan-europeenne Internationale. This

organization is dedicated to the promotion of European ideals and goals through debates and publications, and focuses especially in the important and expanding domain of science and technology. This is very important to U.S. interests because securing the technological frontier is an important aspect of the United States' national security. Furthermore, it is desirable that an individual who heads up the French branch of an organization encouraging European unity also comprehend U.S. policy as fully as possible.

Denis Brunel is now approaching a turning point in his career and is exploring advancement opportunities at EDF. His future could also be influenced by the fact that he has close ties to Nicolas Sarkozy, the new head of the UMP and possible future President of France. As someone who has been in, and will likely again be included in, political committees to devise strategies for French energy issues, he is also in a position to be considered for a future cabinet counselor.

Clearly, it would be advantageous to give a person with political leadership experience, technological understanding, and ties to the French and European political establishment a chance to participate in a program that could further his positive views of the U.S. and pass what he learns on to the UMP, France, and Europe at large.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

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HOME-HOSP?: No

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CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: FR

RES-CNTRY-ID: FR

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